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Firmness.

Well, let him go, and let him stay-I do not mean to dia; I guess he'll find that I can live Without him, if I try. He thought to frighten me with frowns, So terrible and black-He'll stay away a thousand years Before I ask him back !

He said that I had acted wrong, And foolishly beside; I won't forget him after that-I wouldn't if I died. If I was wrong, what right had he To be so cross with me? I know I'm not an angel quite-I don't pretend to be.

He had another sweetheart once. And now when we fall out, He always says she was not cross, And that she didn't pout. It is enough to vex a saint-It's more than I can bear : I wish that girl of his was-Well I don't care where.

He thinks that she was pretty, too-Was beautiful as good; I wonder if she'd get him back Again, now, if she could? I knew she would, and there she is-She lives almost in sight ; And now it's after nine o'clock-Perhaps he's there to-night.

I'd almost write to him to come-But then I've said I won't; I do not care so much, but she Shan't have him if I don't. Besides, I know that I was wrong And he was in the right ; I guess I'll tell him so-and then-I wish he'd come to-night!

SELECTED STORY

The Farmer's Daughter.

BY MRS. MARY C. VAUGHN.

Nothing to do! Nothing to amuse myself with! What did I ever come to this forlorn place for? I heard Liz say this morning, as she chattered in the passage outside with the chambermaid, that it was the "jumping off place of creation," and while I was considering the point of the rema k, and whether or no it speet is due her, at least, from me." was b st to laugh, there ensued a quarrel be-I have felt since I came here."

Mortimer Van Sant, Esq., stopped to yawn when he had proceeded thus far in his narrative, and his friend, Charlie Franks cut in.

"I thought you came here on account of lazily. "I know that was the plea under which you seduced me to accompany you. I believe you did say something about fishing, and I knew Van Sant was here. But Miss Van Sant never leaves her mother, and I don't believe there's a fish larger than a shiner or a minnow within twenty miles. I think you might have a little consideration for the suffering I am cuduring for your sake, instead of bemeaning yourself all the time."

Mortimer looked at his friend and emitted a long low whistle.

"Sorry for you, Charlie. 'Pon my soul am! But I can't bring myself to say that I'm sorry I have a companion in misery. Why, my boy, I remember when I found it excellent sport to fish for shiners with a bit of string, and a crooked pin. And then you do see Louise two or three times a day, though I can't see that she takes much notice of you. While I-unless I make love to Liz, or the chambermaid, there's a perfect dearth of the female element for me."

"There must be girls," hazarded Charlie. who was not quite sure at that period of his life that there was any woman except Louise Van Sant worth looking at.

"Of course there are girls," added Mortimer, pecvishly. "Farmer's daughters, red-headed and buxom-Betseys and Blowsalindas-and shopkeeper's daughters, still worse, because vulgarized by all manner of airs and pretensions. Why, Liz is better, because she has seen something of the world, and can be lively without and pined for a new sensation. being yulgar. French minds are always poignant, but who wants to make society of them?"

"Well, we are in a bad box," acquiesced Charlie, "but you can't leave your mother, and I won't leave you, if it were only for the chance of being of some service. Let's make the best of it. Let's go out and have a smoke under the trees by the river side." "Agreed!" said Mortimer, and the two carriage stood at the door, with the good dea-

for hats and Havanas. Thus engaged, they heard a little bustle and low voices in the passage. Liz put her head in the door.

English, "a lady comes to inquire for Madame,

sleeps also. What will you that I do?"

Mortimer turned round in surprise, and a voice at the door answered the question that was upon his lips.

"I am Miss Blair," it said-"Delia Blair; and my mother has sent-"

The speaker, a beautiful girl of perhaps twenty, had by this time entered the room. and paused, abashed and fly hing with the rosiest color even up to her pure brow.

"I thought I was to see Mr. Van Sant, the husband of the sick lady," she said.

"I am her son," Mortimer hastened to reply. "Pray be seated, Miss Blair. Allow me Blair. to present my friend, Mr. Franks. Perhaps you are not aware that my mother has been a widow for some years."

"I knew nothing-my mother knew nothing but that a larly lay very ill here, at the village hotel. The mistake was my own; the chambermaid called the lady Mrs. Van Sant, and told me that I should find Mr. Van Sant here. It makes no difference, I came only to say that my mother and myself--any of our family would be glad to be of any service to the sick lady. If there is anything we can do, pray Delia has like a daughter to his mother, let us know, Mr Van Sant-we should consider it a privilege. I will go now," she added. timidly. "Perhaps, if I were to call in an hour, I could see your sister, and learn from her what I could do."

"Your kindness, and that of your family is very great. I hardly know how to thank you enough, Miss Blair. Pray wait if you can, until my sister comes down. I will call hershe will know what to say better than I."

"I had better come again, I think. Do not disturb your sister-I have some errands to do in the village." And before a reply could be made she had

glided out, with a little bow and a smile, of half farewell to the gentlemen.

Mortimer stood staring blankly at the spot she had left, and never uttered a word.

"She's a beauty, isn't she?" quoth Charley Franks. "And how nicely she's dressed. 1 say Mortimer, do you thick she's a farmer's daughter ?"

If a look could have annihilated Charlie Franks, he would not have lived to utter another rude speech. .

"You had better go out, if you wish to, said Mortimer, coolly, taking no notice of his remarks or questions, except by the withering contempt of his manner. "I shall stay at home to see Miss Blair when she returns. That re

Again Charlie Franks whistled, but he ders, since, as he termed it. Mortimer was "on the high horse." As soon as he was gone, Mortimer proceeded to his mother's room, en tered softly, and aroused his sister, without disturbing the sick lady. When Miss Blair your mother's dangerous illness, Mort," he said returned, both were in the parlor, ready to receive her. She came in blushing and smiling, yet with genuine pity and sympathy in her sweet young face, so fresh and untouched by sorrow. Only a moment was needed for the three to draw together, and they had a pleas ant, friendly chat in the cool, shady room, in which Delia Blair renewed her offers of help and kindness, which were received and accept ed as frankly as given.

Deacon Blair owned the beautiful farm, with its fine buildings and gardens, at the bend of the river below the village, which the brother and sister had so admired in their walks : and Delia, though a farmer's daughter, was a highly educated, and as true a lady as as the Vant Sant belle and heiress No Blowsalind: was she, but firm health sparkled in the bright ness of her eye, and glowed in the roses of he cheeks, and betrayed itself in every movement of her well-poised figure. Without the delicate fairness of that hot-house production a city belle, she possesesed a beauty as far out ranking hers as Nature must always outrankthe result of a sickly, but morbid Art.

Louise was charmed with her, and as for Mortimer, no words could express his feelings; but he thought, as he returned from handing her into the open carriage that stood at the door, that he was more than willing to spend his life in Milford, for the chance of sometimes feasting his eyes on the beauty of Delia Blair, and listening to the music of her voice. And an hour before he had thought himself bluse,

And day by day the acquaintance grew. Day by day came Delia and her gentle mother, and delicacies from the farm, and a thousand comforts from that well-stored household. which the little country hotel, where Mrs. Van Sant had fallen ill when on a journey, could not produce. And the very day the invalid was able for the exertion, Deacon Blair's young men rose up and commenced their search con himself for charioteer, to take her on a

By this time a cordial acquaintance had grown up between the families. Even Charlie Franks looked upon the Blairs as benefactors, "Mr. Van Sant," she said, in her French for while they watched the invalid, Louise could refresh herself by long walks, always in ion. ornales L. Riddig to Y W.

and Mademoiselle sleeps beside Madame, who his company, since Mortimer affected greatly the vicinity of Delia Blair. And so two romances went on, and were wrought out to their denouement, without disturbing, by so much as a ripple, the quiet of the placid invalid, coming slowly back to life and strength, fostered by the kindness of these good Blairs.

The summer wore away, and the Van Sants the mother quite well again prepared to return to the city. Charlie Franks had been obliged teration of motor a world deildry a to go before, but had taken the heart of Louise with him-a fair exchange, since he left his hehind in her possession. He was jealous of nothing in the world but her love for Delia

And Mortimer could be silent no longer The tale had been told and answered often enough by tones and glances. Each knew the secret of the other's heart, but now it must be spoken, Proud and high as were the Van Sants, they could not afford to look down upon Delia, as true a lady, educated, refined and graceful as one of their own long-descended and wealthy line; nor to despise the gentle mother, nor the quaint simplicity and quiet goodness of the father. Mortimer had no fears.

Why need I linger as this summer idyl be neath the willows, by the murmuring river. draws to a close? The trees and the stream heard the old, oft repeated, yet ever new story, mirrored the blushes, and carried the sweet confessed secret to the breezes, and sang sweeter songs in their glee as they listened. And the pair were plighted

It was in a quiet autumn month that the bri dal took place in the little village church. The old deacon, with tace half glad half rueful gave his darling away, and the two mothers looked en, tearful and smiling; and Charlie and Louise, next week to have more gorgeous bridals in a city church, where the attendants in a strange flutter with their own coming joy

VARIOUS.

[From the Charleston Mercury. THE NEGRO CONVENTION.

, FRIDAY GTH.

The roll was called, and a quorum being pre ent, the assemblage proceeded to business. The minutes of the last meeting were read

On motion of F. J. Moses, Jr., the Presi-

the Audit Committee.

larges of absonon The report of the Committee on Rules and dered to be printed.

Regulations was taken up. After much discussion the report was finally mended that \$100 be paid on account to the

The assemblage went into Committee of the Whole on the 9th section of the bill of rights; Rutland in the chair.

as an amendment, that the words "have the right to determine the law and the facts under the direction of the judge" be stricken out and 20th section was reconsidered. the words "be judges of the law and the facts." be inserted, and moved that the committee rise ed and report the amendment to the house.

This was done, the amendment adopted and the section passed to its third reading.

Moses and Craig recording their votes against the adoption of the 9th section. The 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th journed.

sections of the bill of rights were passed to their third reading without material alteration. C. D. Hayne and R. B. Elliott were allowed to record their names as voting in the affirmative on the ordinance annulling contracts for the purchase of slaves.

Craig was refused leave to record his name in the negative on the same ordinance.

The 16th and 17th sections of the bill of rights were passed to their third reading without material alteration. Adjourned.

SATURDAY STIL

have, for several days, been utterly void of interet. They are not even funny, and the only object in publishing them at all is to let the world know that the delegates who are receiving eleven dollars per diem are not earning their money. On Saturday Runion prayed, and three more sections of the bill of rights were passed to the third reading. That is a brief but accurate history of the manner in which one thousand dollars of the people's money was spent, and the reader need not trouble himself to read what follows. We only give the thing a little more in detail that the conspirators may feel that the eve of justice is upon their every move.] The meeting was opened with prayer by Run-

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Wooley and Collins obtained short leaves of

ATTROAT, FEBRUARY 18, 1 10, 1 10, absence. The discussion of the eightcenth section of the bill of rights was resumed, pull the section passed to its third reading without material al-

The nineteenth section was read a second

On motion of McKiulay, of Charleston, the word "shall" was substituted for the word "can." Without further material alteration the sec-

ion was passed to its third reading. The twentieth section was then read a second time, and several amendments were offered, all of which were lost and the section was passed

to its third reading. The assemblage then adjourned. Adail de per de MONDAY (10TH. H) Constitution

Cardoza

The roll was called, and a quorum belinpresent, the assemblage proceeded to business The minutes of the last meeting were | rend nd confirmed.

Rutland, from the committee on the lib gislative part of the constitution," reported on sundry ordinances and resolutions. The reports showed that a provision for a homestead of one hundred acres, and a provision climinging the issue of State bonds to be indorsed by Congress and made payable at the end of twenty years. All these reports were adopted and

Rose, from the Committee on Petitions, reported unfavourably on a resolution for the np pointment of a committee to report the names of persons from whom political disabilities should be removed. The committee were of opinion that persons desiring their disabilities removed should make individual application for such purpose, and it would then be time enough to decide upon their respective merits.

Raudolph, from the Committee on Miscel-The meeting was opened with prayer by D. lancous Paovisions of the Constitution, reported unfavorably on Coghlan's "Nigger-Yankee"

ported the following militia article as part of

"The militia of the State of South Carolina dent was instructed to inquire into the causes shall consist of all able-bodied male residents take the necessary steps to have them revised forty-five years, except such persons as now are or may hereafter be exempted by the laws of Leslie, Swails and Rose were appointed on the United States or of this State, and shall be organized, armed, equipped and disciplined Boozer, Allen, Viney and Leslie obtained as the General Assembly may by law provide." The article was and the first time and or-

Swails from the Audit Committee, recom-

printer. Adopted. On motion of Becker two more members

were added to the Audit Committee. The report of the Committee on the Legisla-The President made a long speech, offering tive Department of the Constitution was read the first time and passed to a second reading. The Bill of Rights was taken up, and the

Parker offered a substitute, which was adopt-

The 21st section was read a second time and passed to its third reading, also the 22d sec-

During a discussion of the 23d section. which relates to treason, the assemblage ad-

Items.

Gen. Wade Hampton, according to report, is o be one of the editors of the Charleston Mer-

The Columbia and Augusta Railroad will be pen for travel as far as Lexington C. H., in a

Rev. Thomas Baker and six native missionaries have been eaten by the Fejee Islanders. Is Baker's meat better than baker's bread? The company that is constructing the Suez

[The proceedings of this unlawful assembly Canal, it is reported, employs 8340 men and 39 steam dreadges. The American Artisan states that all kinds

of soft, porous stone becomes hard by white-

washing them with fresh-slaked lime. Rolling or "milling" lead, is reported to have been invented by Thomas Hale in 1670. about which time the first mill was erecte for that purpose at Deptford, England.

A negro raped an Irish girl fifteen years old near Frankfort, Ky., then threw her over an embankment, breaking her shoulder. The people bring the negro. 1 Water-proof cloth, it is stated, is now pre

ared by a recent patent with balata instead of your cloths to mend." India-rubber, as it will stand a higher heat than that gum, and shall never guiter! Passived That, the Committee on Petitions' served of nearly that inquired maine wante

Texas, it is announced, has been closed. The election for a Reconstruction Convention takes place this month to vide per small date after

French chemists are reporter to have distant covered a way of lucreasing the lighting power in of gas sixty fold, by putting in the fame base cylinder of magnesis. A Mississippi negro was recently found dead?

in the woods by the hady of a stolen hog. On in the negro the following inscription was pinned: The nigger killed the hog, and the hog killed the nigger. Selah !" mans or noisegraques sid lo The evidences of American civilization are: 1.

said to be appearing in Sitkar where they have mur had a pawnbroker's office, a billiard saloon and ... several restaurants -where "something" may was be had-established. The widow of a former member of Congress,"

residing in Howell, Me., lately married her ind hostler. He treated her cruelly, and she ap-son plied for a divorce, whereupon he decamped! The meeting was opened with prayer by with \$20,000 in bonds, leaving her fa destitute be circumstances. It is stated that the reason why Butler int

ip" at the Ballard House was that he had heard that the Messrs, Lallard keep an "old at Virginia tavern." The well-known sign of such establishment is "Entertainment for Man and Beast," od: 'to notions bridt-vinews oils too

The Chicago Tribute thinks the cause of the present hard times is that too many young mehtitle of "districts" to "counties" had been in repudiate farming and take to manufacturing corporated by the committee in the "legislative" and trading, so that while we have not enought to part of the constitution," and that the come to cat, we have twice as much material forms mittee were unfavourable to stay have and the clothes as we can wear. " and but ail no section as The naval force of the United States on the

Pacific coast, consists of two squadrons, the North Pacific and the South Pacific, composed of saycuteen ships in active service, carrying one hundred and twenty-six gens, with an aggregate tonnage of 17,032 tons, intend to comb

Tobacco manufacturers, now being examined by the Committee of Ways and means, in Washington, it is said, have stated that there have frauds on the revenue in the form of taxes craded on about one hundred and fifty million pounds of tobacco.

A correspondent of the New York Tribunc. shocked at the terrible, and, as he says; needless torture of criminals by hanging, suggests Randolph, from the same committee, also re- that hereafter they may be made to touch a wire communicating with twelve Leyden jara. when death by electricity would be instantannous and painless. built and herear once allogated

A new form of lathe has recently been adopted in Leeds, England, the arrangement being such that cutting tools can be brought " into action simultaneously on the opposite faces and inner surface of the tire, so as to complete the entire operation without shifting the work in the machine.

The late campaign in Kansas in favor of women's right ha not been with "tangible results, as we notice that on Wedne. It last Miss Emma Hunt was elected onrolling clerk of the lower house of the legislature of that State, This is, we believe, the first case of the kind on

the assemblage reformed. By fifty thousand majority the people of Ohio decided at the late election that no negro shall have the right of suffrage in that State. Steps are being taken in the legislature to carry out this determination of the people. Mr. Pennister of Pike county, has introduced a bill meking it a penal offence for any judge of the election to receive a vote from any person who has "a visible admixture of African blood,"

HUMOROUS.

Gentility. And day continue

Genteel it is to have soft hands, but not genteel to work on lands. Genteel it is to lie abed, but not genteel to

earn your bread. Genteel it is to cringe and bow, but not gen-

teel to sow and plough. Genteel it is to play the beau, but not gen-

teel to reap and mow. Genteel it is to keep a gig, but not genteel to hoe and dig.

Genteel it is in trade to fail, but not genteel to swing a flail, Genteel it is to play the fool, but not genteel

to keep a school. Genteel it is to cheat your tailor, but not genteel to be a sailor.

Genteel it is to fight a duel, but not genteel to cut your fuel. Genteel it is to cat rich cake, but not gen-

teel to cook and bake. Genteel it is to have the blues, but not genteel to wear thick shoes. Genteel it is to roll in wealth, but not gen-

teel to have good health. Genteel it is to cut a friend, but not genteel Genteel it is to make a show, but not gen teel poor folks to know.